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In re Application of:

Baumgartner, et al.

Application No.: 10/719,117

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For: DIRECT Csl SCINTILLATOR  
COATING FOR IMPROVED  
DIGITAL X-RAY DETECTOR  
ASSEMBLY LONGEVITY

Examiner: Gabor, Otilia

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In the Office action dated October 19, 2004, claims 32-92 were indicated as pending and were subject to a restriction requirement. The Examiner submitted that the restriction of the claimed invention is required under 35 U.S.C. § 121 and therefore required an election between claim groups I and II as follows:

Group I – Claim 32-80, drawn to an x-ray detector assembly product classified in Class 250, subclass 370.11; and

Group II – Claims 81-92, drawn to an x-ray detector assembly process of making, classified in Class 438, subclass 64.

In order to be responsive to the restriction requirement, Applicant elects to prosecute claims 32-80 in Group I. However, Applicant reserves the right to file a

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divisional patent application incorporating the claimed subject matter of Group II at a later time.

In addition to the above restriction requirement, the Examiner required an election of the following species from Group I:

- i. The species shown in Fig. 8;
- ii. The species shown in Figs. 10-11; and
- iii. The species shown in Fig. 12.

Applicant hereby elects the species of Fig. 8 and submits that claims 32-58 are readable on Fig. 8. Once again, Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional patent application incorporating the claimed subject matter of the other species at a later time.

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application. If the Examiner has any questions regarding the present patent application, the Examiner is invited to call Applicant's attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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